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Some of the performers who took part in the Celebration of Dance staged by Skelmersdale's Glenburn Sports College.
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NIMBLE–footed youngsters showed off their talents to an appreciative audience of 200–plus when Glenburn College staged its Celebration of Dance in the Arts Theatre of the college in Yewdale.

More than 100 local primary school children joined college students and members of the Inspiration School of Dance for the special event.

There were performances by Key Stage One and Two primary pupils from six Skelmersdale primary schools, and Key Stage Three and Four pupils from Glenburn Sports College who all attend Inspiration of Dance classes.

A spokesman for Glenburn College said: "Glenburn is built upon the strong relationships between each and every member of our community and it was great to see primary, secondary and Inspiration dance students working together to produce a dynamic and colourful festival which explored the many dance styles in the world of dancing.

"Many new friendships were formed during the lead–up to the festival and it was wonderful to be part of an evening that celebrated and supported each individual's talent."

COUNCIL HOMES PRIORITY SET FOR CHANGES

Report by **Henry James**

Workers, volunteers and armed forces to be given preference

PEOPLE who work, volunteer or undergo training, or have served in the armed forces will get extra priority for council housing in West Lancashire under changes which are due to come into force on July 1.

The new plans will also see the introduction of five–year tenancies and a bar on council housing for those on higher incomes. Those of pension age will continue to be offered lifetime tenancies and the changes do not effect existing tenants.

But the West Lancashire Labour group said the changes will do nothing to address the 'chronic shortage' of social housing in the borough and they are opposed to the introduction of fixed–term tenancies.

Councillor Adrian Owens, the council's deputy leader and housing finance portfolio holder, said: "It was the right time to make these changes. Our council housing is at a premium. It cannot be right that someone who is perhaps in temporary need is awarded a council house for life.

"Similarly, we need to ensure our estates are balanced communities including a good mix of those who work; as well as those who are retired or on benefits.

"Council houses are offered at a subsidised rent and we feel it is important to offer greater priority for these homes to those in low–income work. These people currently lose out in the current system."

Cllr Owens said that those in severe housing need would still be prioritised by the proposed new system which was subject to public consultation and ratification by full council before being introduced.

"Those not currently in work can maintain and improve their chances of a council home as we are also offering extra priority for those who volunteer in the community or are in training."

The Conservative deputy leader also criticised the local Labour party's opposition to the changes. He said: "Here is a policy that supports workers on low incomes and yet local Labour refused to support it, even when the shadow minister does!"

Cllr Owens added: "Even worse, Labour opposed the extra priority for council homes for those who have served in our armed forces introduced by this policy. They didn't try to amend the policy at full council in any way but simply voted against it in its entirety, including opposing extra priority for those who served in our armed forces."

Labour group leader, Councillor Roger Bell responded: "These changes will do nothing towards addressing the chronic shortage of social housing here in West Lancashire and across the country.

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University event aims to make IT teaching more attractive to girls

Report by **Louisa Austin**

Research shows they outperform boys at computing but fewer make it a career option

AN event that aims to show that computing and technology aren't just for boys is to be held at Edge Hill University.

In a bid to break down stereotypes, the university has organised the special event called Ada at the Edge on Friday, June 28 which will be used to showcase to girls how they can enjoy computing and technology in a fun atmosphere.

Organised by postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE) computer course leaders, Colette Giblin, Paula Beer and Dawn Hewitson, the activity–packed day will focus on design and creativity.

The name Ada at the Edge is a dedication to Ada Lovelace, a 19th century English countess considered by many to be the world's first computer programmer.

Collette explained: "We work with a lot of schools and have noticed a steady decline in the number of females who want to do their teacher training in IT and computing.

"It is a very male–dominated area and we want to address this issue by targeting girls at a young age to show them that computing can result in a very exciting and lucrative career.

"We want to show the girls that they can do it, they can achieve and get a lot of satisfaction from the creativity that is involved in computing."

Paula added: "In fact, research actually shows that girls who take up computing excel in the subject, for every six boys who achieved A* in ICT GCSE in 2012 there were nine girls.

"Ten times as many boys than girls take A–Level computing with the girls achieving slightly better than the boys.

"A–Level ICT again shows a similar problem. Twice as many boys as girls opt for this route and yet again the girls outperform the boys with roughly double the number of A grades going to the girls than the boys.

"With computing now being a part of the school curriculum, it's more important than ever to get more of a gender balance and make the subject as accessible as possible."

Activities on the day will include looking at wearable technology, designing inspirational mobile apps, looking at stereotypes of computer scientists and creating small computer games.

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Youngsters savour capital experience

A GROUP of primary school children enjoyed a 'capital' experience when they travelled to London.

During the trip the youngsters from Holland Moor School, Skelmersdale visited the Houses of Parliament and the Science Museum.

They watched a live debate on internet safety entitled Protecting Children Online in the Houses of Commons and also ran their own debate in the Palace of Westminster.

Lancashire MPs, Rosie Cooper and Louise Ellman, took time out from their busy schedules to answer questions from the School Council, School Forum, Pupil Parliament and PACT team.

Some of the school party also got to meet Labour leader, Ed Milliband and former athletics star, Lord Sebastian Coe.

The school group had a picnic in Victoria Gardens, overlooking the River Thames and the London Eye, while during their visit to the Science Museum, the children explored a hands–on workshop in the Web Lab called The Internet of the Future.

The group from Holland Moor school with MPs Rosie Cooper and Louise Ellman **Code NA**

Doubts over Sandy Lane parking charges plan

Report by **Henry James**

DOUBTS hang over the future of West Lancs Borough Council's stalled plans to introduce parking charges at Sandy Lane in Skelmersdale.

The scheme was set to be introduced in April, but Lancashire County Council objected to it as they said that introducing car parking charges in Sandy Lane would push motorists in to parking in residential areas where they can park for free.

West Lancs Labour group is claiming the county council objections will stop the plans from going ahead, but the borough council has said they have received conditional consent for the proposals from the county council and that they are considering whether to accept these.

Traders had told the Champion that introducing pay and display car parks in Sandy Lane would be the 'death–knell' for their businesses.

Councillor Julie Gibson, who represents Skelmersdale West ward on Lancashire County Council, said: "I would like to thank the local business owners, residents, and the wider community for their fantastic campaign against the Tories' tax on shopping in Skelmersdale.

"This was just another vindictive political decision taken by the Tory–controlled borough council that would have seriously affected the local economy and created hazards and conflicts for local residents. The county council has clearly listened to the community's concerns.

"It is important that we remain vigilant against further attacks by the borough against the people of Skelmersdale. Myself and my colleagues in the Labour Party are there to work with local people and support them."

County Councillor Julie Gibson at Sandy Lane **Code NA**

A borough council spokesman responded: "Lancashire County Council has issued a conditional consent to West Lancashire Borough Council for pay and display parking on the Sandy Lane car parks.

"WLBC is currently considering whether it wishes to meet the conditions of the consent and proceed accordingly."

Priority for council housing set to change

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"What this country really needs is a government that will deliver a massive house building programme that will provide social housing to the thousands of applicants desperately waiting for a home of their own.

"The Labour Group is strongly opposed to the introduction of fixed–term tenancies. We believe that when an applicant is offered a council home it should be on a secure tenancy.

"The Conservatives appear determined to make applicants jump through hoops to secure a council house. Not content with only offering temporary accommodation, they want to force future tenants to carry out unpaid community work and attend training courses.

"The Labour Group firmly believes that council housing should be provided to the people in the most need. This is the current policy, a policy that works and a policy that the Conservatives have supported for many years."

Labour's shadow portfolio holder for landlord services, Councillor Ian Moran,added: "It was the Labour Group that proposed this council should sign up to the Military Covenant and give preference to service personnel on our housing waiting list."

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper officially opened RD Recycling Centre at Grattan Place, Gillibrands, last Saturday. With her are proprieter Rui Devares (right) and Jason Holmes from Twinkle House which is being supported by the centre. **Code1059734**

MP opens new recycling centre

A NEW recycling centre has been opened in Skelmersdale by West Lancashire MP, Rosie Cooper.

RD Recycling Centre is based at Unit Eight, Gratton Place, Gillibrands and sells donated second–hand furniture, electrical appliances and clothes, with a third of their profits going to the children's charity, Twinkle House.

The centre's proprietor, Rui Devares, said: "People donate good–quality furniture, clothes and electrical appliances and we sell it on. We are looking for items at the moment and anyone who thinks they could help should call 01695 340 932."

The centre is open Monday to Saturday from 9am to 5pm.

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Stroke Association and Queenscourt Hospice to be mayoral charities

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

MAYOR and Mayoress of West Lancashire, Councillor Iain and Mrs Beverley Ashcroft, have nominated Queenscourt Hospice and the Stroke Association as the charities that they will raise funds for during their mayoral year.

First event up is a meal at the Blue Mallard, Burscough Wharf on Monday, July 1.

Queenscourt Hospice, which provides specialist care for adults with life–limiting illnesses in West Lancs, Southport and Formby, costs more than £2 million per year to run but with only a third of its costs funded by the NHS relies heavily on donations.

The Stroke Association supports stroke survivors, their family, friends and carers across West Lancashire, as well as funding research and campaigning to improve stroke care. Staff visit stroke survivors and their families in Ormskirk Hospital and at home to offer support and run a Life After Stroke group at Skelmersdale Cricket Club.

Cllr. Ashcroft said: "Queenscourt Hospice does a remarkable job for West Lancashire people and I personally know families the hospice has helped. It has to raise a large amount of money every year to keep going and I'd be very pleased if we can raise something to go towards that.

The mayor and mayoress with Carolyn and Jennie from Queenscourt Hospice, members of the charity committee and West Lancs Council joint MD, Kim Webber. Code1059825

"People can have a stroke at any age and the Stroke Association does a really wonderful job helping those who have had strokes and their families."

Brian Halliwell from Queenscourt Hospice, said: "Queenscourt Hospice is really pleased to have been chosen by the Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancashire to be one of their charities this year. I was very pleased to meet members of the hard–working Mayoress's Charity Committee. I am sure they will arrange plenty of events to raise much–needed funds for both ourselves and the Stroke Association."

Louise Kay from the Stroke Association added: "We are delighted we have been chosen as one of the mayoress's charities for this year. The money raised will help support people adjusting to a life after stroke in West Lancashire. It will also help us provide Life After Stroke Grants, often for something as simple as a kitchen appliance, but they can make an enormous impact."

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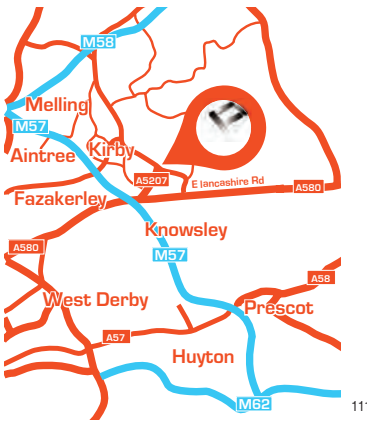

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West Lancs in bottom third of premature death 'table'

Report by **Henry James**

BOTH West Lancs (categorised under Lancashire) and neighbouring Sefton have been ranked in the bottom third of the worst places to live for premature deaths.

The national league table, which was published by Public Health England for the first time, measured the premature mortality rates for the 150 local authorities in England using a traffic light system, with red for those that had the worst rates to green for the best.

Lancashire was labelled red and ranked 103 out of the 150 local authorities. Sefton was 92 and also categorised as red.

In Sefton there were 297 premature deaths per 100,000 from 2009 to 2011, while in Lancashire, over the same period, there were 304.

A spokesperson from NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) commented: "As commissioners of most healthcare services in West Lancashire, preventing people from dying prematurely is a major priority for us.

"We have taken into account the needs of the people who live in West Lancashire and in turn identified some core areas of focus. These plans will help us address services and factors that relate to the causes of premature deaths, such as those surrounding cancer and cardiovascular conditions.

"Lancashire as a county has varying levels of deprivation and mortality within the local population, and although premature mortality rates are below the national average, the levels of life expectancy, especially in West Lancashire, are better than the national average.

"Public Health England is working hard to address key contributory health factors that relate to premature deaths, such as smoking, diet, physical activity, alcohol misuse and many others."

Major causes of death included cancer, heart diseases, stroke, lung and liver diseases.

National recognition for talented youngster

Robyn (left) pictured on stage during her starring role Code NA

Report by **Henry James**

A SKELMERSDALE youngster has received national recognition for her role in Ormskirk Pleasure Folk's Annie the musical.

Robyn Bradnock was nominated in the 2013 National Operatic and Dramatic Association (NODA) awards for Best Female Youth Performer in an Adult Production.

NODA is a national organisation which provides assistance and advice to amateur groups and societies as well as reviewing productions through a local representative.

The ceremony took place in Blackpool and Robyn was up against 11 experienced actors and just missed out on taking the prize.

Robyn played the lead role of Annie in the production, which was staged at Ormskirk Civic Hall.

Michelle Hopwood of Pleasure Folk said: "We were delighted to discover that Robyn had been nominated for the award from NODA.

"Our representative Wendy Newton, not only gave Robyn great recognition in her review but the whole cast performance of Annie received a wonderful acknowledgement.

"We had such an amazing and talented cast for Annie who worked hard in their performances, recognition like this really does spur us on and brings a new surge of energy to our rehearsals.

Robyn has recently been cast in the role of Kate for the Pleasure Folk's Christmas Pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk which will run from November 27 to December 1 at Ormskirk Civic Hall.

Female football event attracts thousands

Mark Ashton, from Skem Athletic, is shown with club chairman, Mick Vella and residents and staff of Stocks Hall Care Homes, one of the key sponsors of the event.

Report by **Henry James**

MORE than 1,500 female footballers from across the UK enjoyed a glorious weekend in the sunshine as Skem Athletic hosted their sixth national football event.

Thousands of players and spectators from across the country made their way to JMO Sports Park and Blaguegate playing fields in Skelmersdale for what proved to be a fantastic weekend of quality football.

As well as promoting girls football on a national level, Skem Atheltic were working with the charity Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) to help raise awareness of undetected heart conditions in young people, and the Lancashire FA who continue to do great work in the development of the woman's game.

Since the event the club have donated £2,000 to CRY which will enable them to screen around 70 young people.

The event consisted of nine age groups from children as young as six–years–old right through to an open–age women's competition. It was attended by new Mayor of West Lancashire, Iain Ashcroft and former Lliverpool star, Chris Lawler.

Since the event the positive feedback has continued to pour in from some of the country's leading female football clubs, including Manchester City, Blackpool and Cestria (South Durham).

Skem Athletic chairman, Michael Vella said: "It makes me very proud and very humble to work as part of this dedicated and talented group of volunteers who all give up their time and expertise for nothing to help young people play the sport they love. The fact that we have been able to donate money to a worthy cause is just the icing on the cake.

"I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the sponsors and all those that have helped make the event the success it continues to be. In particular Sue Lace and Sue King of Stocks Hall Care Homes for providing the catering, Hills Motors for providing us with parking for the weekend, Proctor and Gamble and Mark Ashton of Artz Academy and Colin Storey of Elite Building and Joinery for their continued unwavering support.

"This event is one of the largest, best run events in the country and it is something that our small club and this small town can be extremely proud of."

Armed Forces Day service

SKELMERSDALE Ex–Sevices Association will be hosting an event this Sunday, June 30 to celebrate Armed Forces Day.

The group will be assembling at the war memorial at the bottom of Sandy Lane between 10.30 and 10.45am.

There will then be a service of remembrance led by local clergymen with the Last Post being played by a member of Skelmersdale Silver Band. They have also organised for a bagpiper to play, in full highland dress.

After the service they will retire to the Wardens Club, Blaguegate Lane where there will be refreshments and entertainment provided.

Chance to have a say on Local Plan

INDIVIDUALS and organisations in West Lancashire are being given the opportunity to have their say on the borough's Local Plan during a six–week consultation period starting on Thursday, June 27.

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Beware of checking fee 'sting' when re–newing passports online

WITH the peak summer holiday season fast approaching Rosie Cooper is urging people planning to re–new their passports online to double–check the site they use before applying.

The West Lancs MP says some residents have been hit with 'extra' charges of £32.50 per application after using websites believing them to be official UK passport websites.

These sites charge a fee to check you have completed your application or renewal forms correctly and applicants have to pay the checking fee of £32.50 on top of the price for a new, or renewal of your, passport.

Ms Cooper said: "If applying online for a new or to re–new your passport make sure you are using the official Identity & Passport Service website.

"When you do a web search the top search isn't always the correct site. It could prove to be a costly mistake. For a family of four just to have your application checked would cost £130. I wouldn't want anyone to get stung by these charges."

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Council says it with flowers...

'Green team' in bid to brighten up the borough for summer

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Lancs Council are aiming to brighten up the borough after planting more than 25,000 bedding plants.

The council has said that flower beds in parks, on roundabouts and on roadsides all across the borough have been transformed by the authority's green–fingered grounds maintenance team.

They have also put up 38 hanging baskets, completing all the work in four days.

The bedding plants, which include a wide range of flowering species such as geraniums, begonias and marigolds, are purchased from specialist nurseries in the UK who, like the council, are signatories of the 'peat–free charter' which ensures plants are grown in an environmentally–friendly way.

Over the last four years the council has maintained the number of plants it buys while reducing the amount it spends.

Council bosses have said that over the last four years, by shopping around to find the best value for money, approximately £1,000 has been saved.

This year 25,000 summer bedding plants cost £5,760, which works out at around 23p per plant.

Cllr Ian Grant, leader of the council, said: "Residents appreciate the summer bedding programme and I often hear people say how lovely the flowers are.

"Local people want the council to keep the borough looking beautiful and I'm pleased to say that we are managing to do this while reducing the amount of money we spend."

When autumn comes, the council will remove the flowers and replace them with 17,500 winter bedding plants and 10,000 bulbs.

Floral fest marks church milestone

HOLY Trinity Church in Tarleton is celebrating its 125th anniversary with a Flower Festival.

Running from Friday to Sunday, July 5 to 7, the Blossom and Flourish themed event will look at the role of the church in the community in the past, present and future.

The festival has been organised by Eva Eccleston, a lifelong member of Holy Trinity Church, and will include exhibits designed by skilled flower arrangers from across the North West, many of whom have exhibited nationally, as well as contributions from children from the church.

Within the grounds of the church there will also be displays and exhibits illustrating scenes from village life past and present and the 'Blossom Tearooms' marquee will serve a range of delicious refreshments.

The festival will be open from 10am to 8pm on the Friday and Saturday and from 10am to 6.30pm on the Sunday when it will conclude with a Festival Evensong.

School governor awarded OBE

Report by **Henry James**

A DEDICATED school governor has received an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to education.

David Rosbottom from Up Holland said he was "gobsmacked" but "very honoured" to receive the award.

The 70–year–old has been on the board of governors at Winstanley College for 17 years and chair for the last 13.

He said: "I was gobsmacked to receive the recognition and very honoured.

"It is an acknowledgement of the work that I have done for the community. I am very humbled by it.

"I had a letter from the government cabinet office to tell me about the nomination for an award and then I couldn't say anything until it was officially announced.

Upholland's David Rosbottom – awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours.

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"I had congratulation letters from the secretary of state for education, Michael Gove, the permanent secretary to the department of education, Chris Wormald, and Lord Shuttleworth, the Lord–Lieutenant of Lancashire.

"Tony Watmough, the regional director of the association of colleges also wrote to me also praising my commitment.

David's professional background is engineering, not education and he believes this has helped him as a governor.

He said: "I believe being an engineer has helped me to adopt a different appraoch to the role."

One of the biggest achievements for David during his time as a governor was seeing Winstanley College win the Sixth Form College of the Year in The Sunday Times Schools Guide 2012.

Pupils' smashing time

AWAY from the glamour of Wimbledon, budding tennis stars from St James' Catholic Primary School have been having a smashing time at their own tennis festival.

The Year 3 and Year 4 pupils from the Skelmersdale school attended the event organised by West Lancashire Schools Sports Partnership at Our Lady Queen of Peace High School for the families of Glenburn, Lathom and Our Lady Queen of Peace.

Primary schools from all over Skelmersdale were invited for a whole morning of tennis activities.

PE co–ordinator, Miss Bradbury from St James' said: "Children from St James' have recently received coaching before school and during curriculum time from a qualified tennis coach, Suzanne Rath. The children look forward to Suzanne coming in to deliver tennis in a fun way.

"She has captured the children's enthusiasm. Some children have started going along for extra tennis lessons after school at Glenburn as a direct result from Suzanne's expert coaching."

The pupils who took part in the tennis festival Code NA

At the tennis festival, the children from St James' were delighted to play with and against other children from local primary schools on full–size courts.

Cup and cash boost for community club

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A COMMUNITY football club which was recently awarded Charter Standard status has been given a timely financial boost by receiving a £500 grant from the Co–operative Membership Community Fund.

Chris Sowerby, manager of Mitch FC, said: "This grant is fantastic for everyone involved with the club, it is a great achievement to be recognised for all the hard work we have put in so far.

"As a club we are all about development and enhancing fun, safe and improved opportunities for children and young people in our community.

"This grant will allow us to establish new teams and allow even more people to enjoy football in the right way."

Mitch FC are still looking to add to their current squads for next season when they will field teams at under–18s in the Skelmersdale Intermediate Football league, as well as open–age squads on both Saturdays and Sundays.

Trials for the teams will be held at Barnes Road Scout hut, Old Skelmersdale on Thursday, June 27, from 5 to 6pm and these will be open to all abilities.

For more information contact Chris on 07834157781 or email mitchfcproject@yahoo.co.uk

Meanwhile, the club's under–18s side are celebrating after winning a cup.

They travelled to Radstock, near Bath to compete in the Simonstone Motor Group PLC Cup against Westfield FC open–age side.

Prior to the kick–off Mitch captain, Chris Gregson presented the Westfield captain with a 'friendship plate' which set the tone for a superb afternoon of football.

Mitch emerged as 3–0 winners on the day with goals by Jordon Wilde, Zac Alger and an outstanding effort by Adam Lynch.

Chris Sowerby said: "I was delighted with the performance shown by every single player and they got their reward for their hard work and efforts. It's been a long season but one that everyone has enjoyed.

"We're grateful to everyone at Westfield FC, in particular Simon Cox for making the game possible and also Simonstone Motor Group PLC for sponsoring the event."

Mitch FC captain Chris Gregson (right) presents the Westfield captain with a 'friendship plate' before the clubs' clash for the Simonstone Cup

Paul launches pro career with a bang

Paul with his coaches Sean Trodden and Danny Kelly, and his manager Damian Jones Code NA

A FORMER amateur boxer from Skelmersdale has made an explosive start to his professional career.

Paul Riley, a national amateur finalist last year, marked his debut in the pro ranks with a comprehensive defeat of Welshman Matthew Ashmole at Liverpool's Olympia.

After a cautious opening in the first of the scheduled four x three–minute rounds, 24–year–old light–middleweight Riley began to find his range in the second to devastating effect.

Countering a two–punch combination from Ashmole, he replied with a four–punch salvo that ended with the man from Swansea sent crashing heavily to the canvas and out for the count.

Paul said: "I would like to thank everyone who bought tickets to his fight and travelled to Liverpool to support me. The noise made by the fans helped to make a tremendous atmosphere in Olympia."

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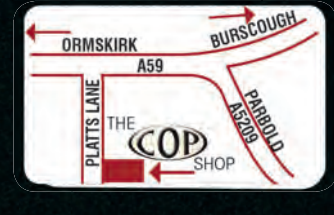

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Lauren is a more than able cadet

Report by **Henry James**

A TEENAGER from Skelmersdale has been judged the county's best Sea Cadet of the Year.

Able Cadet Lauren Cookey–Price has been awarded the Lord–Lieutenant's Certificate of Merit.

Lauren was presented with her award by the Lord–Lieutenant of Lancashire, Colonel the Right Hon. The Lord Shuttleworth at his Reserve Forces and Cadets annual awards presentation at the headquarters of Lancashire Army Cadet Force at Fulwood Barracks.

The 16–year–old wears the coveted cap tally of the Sea Cadet Corps Training Ship Royalist after a successful sailing course aboard.

The citation for the award was read by Colonel Mark Underhill, chief executive of the North West Reserve Forces and Cadets Association, who said: "Able Cadet Lauren Cookey–Price plays an active role within the unit, Training Ship Rodney and in the community.

"She is an impressive, eloquent young woman and good example of the excellent output of the Sea Cadet Corps. She shows a level of maturity and level–headedness that make her a real asset to the unit team. She volunteers readily for local community initiatives and charities.

"She eagerly assists with parents' evenings, samba groups and cooking demonstrations within local schools. She is a credit to her family and to the corps and is fully deserving of the award of the Lord– Lieutenant's Certificate of Merit."

Lauren Cookey–Price with the Right Hon. The Lord Shuttleworth **Code NA**

Dance group book final spot

A TALENTED group of dancers showed some nifty footwork to book their place in the final of a prestigious competition.

The Lost Future Crew from Skelmersdale scooped first place in the qualifying round for the United Dance Organisation's World Street Dance Championships.

And their impressive performance in the qualifier in Glasgow means that they will automatically be entered into the 8th UDO World Street Dance Championships to be held at the Glasgow SECC Arena from Friday to Sunday, August 23 to 25.

Simon Daly, 19, from the Lost Future Crew said: "The group has been together since the start of 2012 and are putting in as many hours as they can, every day.

"Two of our dancers are studying at West Lancashire College and our nine members range from nine years old up to 21. We can't wait for the next stage of the contest."

The Lost Future Crew **Code NA**

Reece's future is carved in stone

A TALENTED student is carving a future for himself in the art of stone masonry.

Reece Moore, a Year 10 pupil at Lathom High School, attends the West Lancashire Training and Learning Centre (TLC) and recently crafted the Liverpool FC emblem on to a piece of stone.

He produced this with training and support from staff at the centre.

As part of his curriculum Reece attends TLC for two days a week, along with other students in his year group. The students are taught varying construction skills, including joinery, and bricklaying.

Debbie Stock, community officer at Lathom High School, said: "It is clear to see that Reece has undoubtedly grasped the art of stone masonry. Presently the stone is on display in the reception at Lathom High School, firstly to showcase Reece's fabulous work and then hopefully inspire some of our other young people into realising their potential."

Reece Moore **Code NA**

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A SCULPTURE has been formally unveiled in the grounds of Little Digmoor Primary School to mark the success of a lottery scheme.

Residents and schoolchildren joined members of the Fair Share Trust Panel and representatives from Lancashire Police, West Lancs Borough Council and Lancashire County Council, for the unveiling of the work created by artist, Shane Johnstone.

The Fair Share Trust project, started in 2003, provided lottery funding to 80 communities in the UK which faced high levels of deprivation and were not getting their fair share of lottery funding.

To commemorate the end of the project and its achievements, the Little Digmoor Family Sculpture was created with Shane working with students from West Lancashire College, local residents and children from Little Digmoor Primary School.

The sculpture, which depicts three generations of family and their pets, aims to capture the meaning of partnership and togetherness which has made the project such a success.

Leigh Boyton, chair of the FST Panel, Rachel Maguire from Little Digmoor Primary School and Norma Timperley from the Little Digmoor Community Association cut the ribbon

Project manager, Martin Trengove, said that it reflected the coming together of residents, the school and all the supporting agencies, voluntary groups and community organisations who have worked together over the past 10 years.

At the start of the project a group of residents formed the Little Digmoor Community Association LDCA] and they then actively participated in a funding panel tasked with allocating the grant funding available for each of the 10 years of the programme to improve life on their estate. The panel was supported by West Lancashire Council for Voluntary Service and made up of LDCA members, local residents, borough and county councillors, representatives from the health service, police and council officers.

Martin Trengove added: "It's been a very rewarding project. So much has been achieved by so many people over the past 10 years but none of this would have been possible without the dedication and commitment of local residents and the LDCA."

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Now we're asking for your comments again…

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Champion LETTERS to the Editor

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Council needs to tell us why residents' wishes are being ignored over store

Despite local residents protesting to the council, we see that a Home and Bargains store is to be opened on the Hattersley site, which was once occupied by Focus, on Burscough Road.

Could the council please state, in writing, why the Home and Bargains store is allowed on a site designated for 'non–food retail'? They sell food.

Can the council also confirm why they have gone against the wishes of local residents AND the rules governing the site? Or is this just a back–door route for ASDA to come in in a few years time, when everyone made it clear ASDA was neither wanted nor welcome here?

Burscough Road and the surrounding area is a residential area. We don't want noisy HGVs frequently delivering goods, causing conjestion and problems on a road which was never built to take heavy traffic and is crossed by half of the town's children on the way to school and back.

There are many issues associated with food retail on this site, hence the reason why it was not allowed in the first place.

The town centre has lots of empty shops with, sadly, more vacating every time I call up there. Why can't large retailers take empty town–centre units or set up in industrial areas away from residents?

When I moved here 15 years ago Ormskirk was a lovely historic market town. It is rapidly becoming a one–horse town and anyone with any sense will soon sell up and move somewhere nice to live before the council ruin it completely.

Linda Taylor, Ormskirk

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PICTURE of the week

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Aiming high

Members of Southport's Central Dance Studios warm up for their perf–ormances at last Sunday's Woodvale Rally held at the resort's Victoria Park.

Picture by Martyn Snape.

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Railway shelters not fit for purpose

I believe it's time something was done about the problem of the pathetic excuses for shelters on the platforms at Bescar Lane railway station.

This and previous governments have spent vast amounts of money, time and resources trying to persuade the public to 'leave their cars at home' and use public transport systems.

However, there's very clear evidence up and down the country that these systems are not coping with the regular/normal requirements of the travelling public, never–mind adding more bodies to the problem.

I live in a very rural part of West Lancashire and the nearest bus stops are a one–mile walk through open countryside which affords little or no shelter other than a few sparse bushes since most of the hedgerows have been decimated. This is in direct contrast to the railway station that is literally 100 yards away.

I elected to use the train earlier this year for a short trip into Southport rather than use my car. The morning that I was travelling was greeted by a heavy and unexpected fall of snow that was blowing virtually horizontal in the driving wind. Despite having taken an umbrella, I very quickly began to resemble a snowman.

I am told that the two shelters in question are actually 'donations/acquisitions' from elsewhere on the network.

In contrast, the two stations either side of Bescar Lane, one in each direction, enjoy the benefit of side–screens with their platform shelters.

I have written to Rosie Cooper although I doubt that she has ever had the displeasure of standing under one of these so–called 'shelters', let alone during weather conditions that encourage people not to go out. Perhaps that is the message.

John Shepherd, Scarisbrick

Patients not to blame for hospital parking problems

I write in answer to the claims made by Mr Harry Pennington (Champion, May 29) regarding the situation with parking at Ormskirk hospital.

Although I know some people do park with a view to avoiding paying, I would like to draw the attention to the fact that some days there is physically no parking spaces to be had.

I recently had this experience myself and being unable to walk too far had no choice but to park in the residential area across from the hospital.

Mr Pennington is in the enviable situation where he can just walk across the road if he had to attend an appointment, unlike some of us who have to travel from Southport for some medical attention.

If he wants to blow off steam, he should aim his grumbles at the hospital management who should be responsible for making sure that there is sufficient room for parking and also at a reasonable price.

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Ode to Carol's Den

We have a knit and natter group that meets on a Friday afternoon at Burscough Library and one of the ladies, Edwina Chohan has wrtitten the following poem about it:

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Carol Young, library manager

Pedestrians endangered

Re:recent articles on the subject of bad parking practices by inconsiderate motorists this happens in Ormskirk on a daily basis.

Now plans are afoot to allow cyclists to ride through the pedestrianised town centre. So, between inconsiderate motorists, cyclists, and mobility scooters, pedestrians are rapidly becoming an endangered species.

Steve Thompson, Burscough.

Recycle your trash for PDSA

Pet charity PDSA is appealing to animal–loving readers to donate any old, half–forgotten items to help sick and injured pets.

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PDSA, the UK's leading veterinary charity, receives no government funding and relies entirely on public generosity to support its charitable veterinary service.

If readers want to find out how a small act of generosity can make a big difference to poorly pets they can visit: www.pdsa.org.uk.

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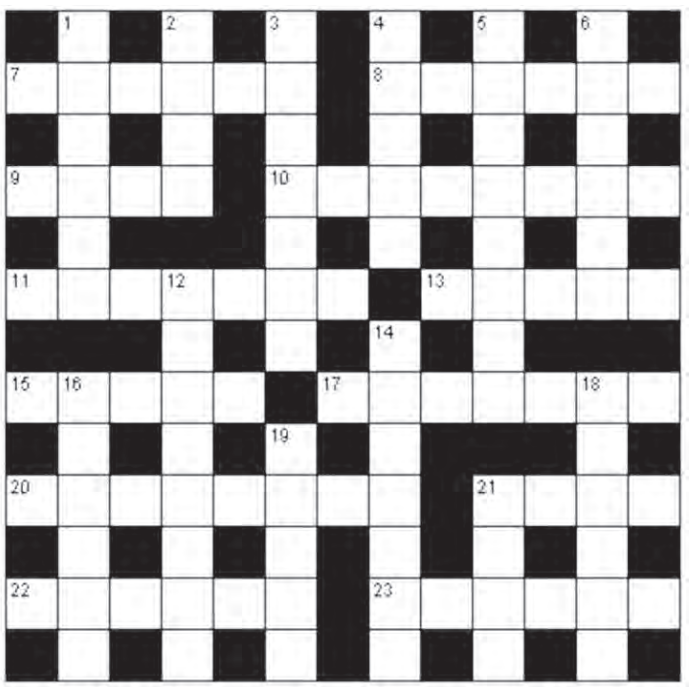

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Across: 7. Aurora, 8. Cha-cha, 9. Meme, 10. Half-moon, 11. Buffalo, 13. Annex, 15. Hazel, 17. Tenable, 20. Tickling, 21. Rusk, 22. Obtuse, 23. Lactic

Down: 1. Bureau, 2. Joke, 3. Maghull, 4. E.Coli, 5. Tasmania, 6. Throne, 12. Freak-out, 14. Seagull, 16. Akimbo, 18. Lassie, 19. Times, 21. Rice

ACROSS

7) Group of dancers or actors (6)
8) Nelson Mandela's first wife and Pierce Brosnan film (6)
9) Hopeful dream brought about by magic (4)
10) Another name for global conflict (5,3)
11) Popular summer footwear (7)
13) Worn, shabby or of poor quality (5)
15) Film genre popular with introverts (3-2)
17) London area recently removed from Monopoly (7)
20) Smoothie company taken over by Coca-Cola this year (8)
21) Lamp produces peculiar shapes (4)
22) Referee-style official in cricket and baseball (6)
23) What is silver in each cloud? (6)

DOWN

1) Bus company in Sefton, West Lancashire and Malta (6)
2) The surname of Southport's MP (4)
3) Coastal defence runs alongside Southport beach (7)
4) Two-coloured African equid (5)
5) Cult space comedy (3,5)
6) Oppressive ruler (6)
12) Bright yellow flower known as narcissus (8)
14) Science of touch or emotionally aware (7)
16) The Plaza in Waterloo is a community... (6)
18) To create something useful (6)
19) Tribal Arabic republic (5)
21) Wild cat, smells nice (4)

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Bus fares going up

Cost of services subsidised by county council set to rise in July

Report by **Henry James**

BUS fares on services which are subsidised by Lancashire County Council are to be increased from Saturday, July 7.

Lancashire County Council provides 103 local bus service contracts throughout the county. These are a mixture of subsidised daytime rural and urban services, together with evening and weekend services which complement the overall commercial bus network.

A spokesman for Lancashire County Council said: "Those local bus service fares not linked to commercial bus service fares will be increased on average by 3.3% in line with the Retail Price Index (RPI)."

While the county council is responsible for setting the fares on these bus services, the 1985 Transport Act states that fares on subsidised services should not be lower than those fares offered commercially.

Fares charged on those bus services which directly operate alongside commercial routes, for example those services that are provided commercially during the day and are subsidised in the evening or where they overlap commercial routes, will be revised to match exactly the adult single fares charged on commercial bus services.

• *WHAT do you think? Email henry.james@champnews.com*

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Blooming success

AN open day at two outstanding local gardens proved a big success.

Sandra and Peter Curl and Prue and Barry Cooper opened their gardens at 79 and 81 Crabtree Lane, Burscough to the public as part of the National Garden Scheme (NGS) which raises money for health–related charities.

Tea and cakes were supplied by Burscough Methodist Church, along with a plant sale which also proved to be very popular.

Peter Curl said: "The day started dull but later developed into a lovely warm summer's day. By 4pm we had received more than 250 visitors and raised more than £1,600 for the National Garden Scheme and Burscough Methodist Church."

Open Garden day

MAWDESLEY is holding its annual Open Garden event on Sunday, June 30.

Green–fingered locals are welcoming visitors into their gardens to view their hard work and afternoon teas will be served at several gardens, offering homemade cakes and scones. Local crafts people will also be displaying goods.

All proceeds of the event go towards maintaining the Millennium Green, which costs around £5,000 a year to upkeep.

The gardens are open from 12.30 to 5pm and admission is by programme costing £3 per adult. Children under–16 are admitted free.

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Energy giant pumps cash into Hesketh Bank shale gas search

By Danielle Thompson

ANTI–FRACKING campaigners have blasted moves by British Gas to invest millions into the Cuadrilla site in Hesketh Bank – even though plans have not yet been approved.

Gas provider Centrica, which owns British Gas, has paid £40m in cash and committed to fund £60m of expenditure on the Bowland joint venture – with a further £60m paid subject to specific milestones being reached.

The company has also become a 25 per cent investment partner in the Cuadrilla Resources operated Lancashire Bowland shale gas exploration licence area, which includes Hesketh Bank.

Cuadrilla plans to submit a modified planning application to Lancashire County Council to carry out a number of different diagnostic well tests on their exploration well at Banks.

The tests, say the company, will not involve hydraulic fracturing, as envisaged in the previously submitted planning application.

Mark Hanafin from Centrica International Upstream said: "It is important that we look for opportunities to develop domestic gas resources, to provide affordable sources of gas to our customers, and to deliver broader economic benefits to the UK."

Anti–fracking demonstrators at Camp Frack.

However, Stephen Hall, 55, who works with campaign groups Frack Off and Friends of the Earth and helped to organise Camp Frack in Hesketh Bank said: "We are very concerned that so much money is being invested in the project.

"Long term we need to be looking at creating more jobs in the safe renewable industries.

"People need to wake up and think about this – it is about all of our futures, not making a quick buck."

Cuadrilla Resources estimate that the 1,200 square kilometre licence area could hold at least 200 trillion cubic feet of gas and are preparing to begin a three–month diagnostic test to find out how much gas could potentially be recovered from the site.

Francis Egan from Cuadrilla said: "The diagnostic tests are a key part of the ongoing exploratory process of determining how much natural gas is trapped in the shale rock beneath Lancashire and how much can be viably recovered."

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College plays host to holistic spa pioneer

Spa professional Linda Hall at West Lancs College Code NA

BEAUTY students welcomed a renowned spa professional to West Lancashire College.

International spa and holistic lifestyle consultant, Linda Hall has been described as a pioneer in the holistic health, spa, wellness and tourism industry.

Linda has been involved in the holistic spa industry for more than 30 years as both a spa owner and consultant. She has developed and opened high–end boutique spas across the Caribbean, plus a string of European spa consultancy projects. She is also the founder and developer of Caribbean Essentials, an all–natural, aromatherapy–based mind, body, spirit spa product collection.

During her visit to the college's beauty department she spoke about her extensive career in the spa industry. She said: "It was a total delight to talk to such a passionate and enthusiastic group of students. The beauty department at West Lancashire College is vibrant and authentic and offers the students a taste of what it will be like to work in a real spa or beauty salon after they have completed their training. It's good to give back to an industry that has brought me more than 35 years of pleasure."

Diane Griffiths, the college's programme area leader of beauty therapy, said: "This was a great opportunity for the students to get an insight into an ever–changing industry. Linda raised the aspirations of the students through her extensive knowledge and experience in the beauty and spa industry."

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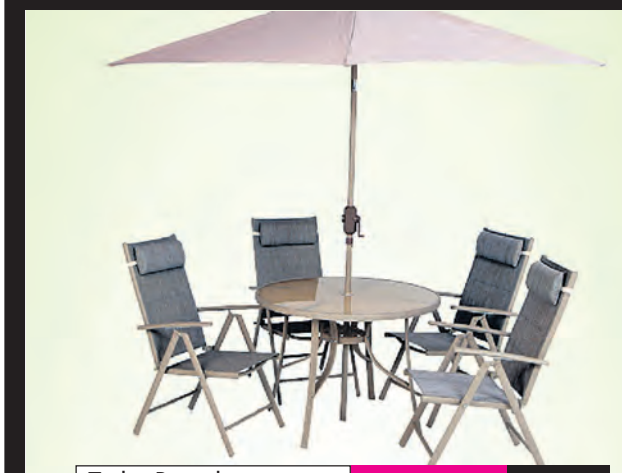

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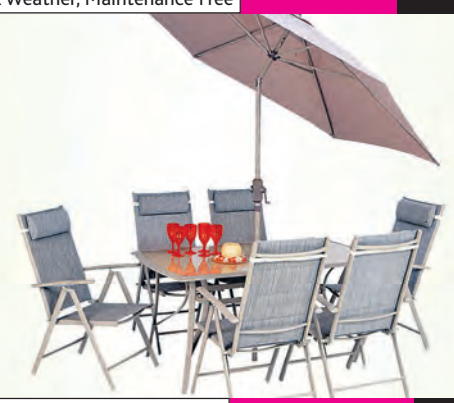

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Bikers' marathon effort for Mark

Report by **David Raven**

EXHAUSTED, suffering cramp but still smiling as they crack open their champagne – these are the 10 athletes (left) who completed the gruelling Lands End to John O'Groats cycle challenge.

The brave group completed the 940–mile journey to raise funds for former Champion employee, Mark Swift, 31, who suffered severe spinal injuries after a cycling crash last year.

Mark, who now lives in Liverpool, is paralysed from the chest downwards. But despite limited use of his hands and arms, he is looking to take up various sports, including wheelchair biking.

Helping support the team on their arduous journey was Mark's father and Champion photographer, John Swift, who said: "It's unbelievable, only two of these guys know Mark, the rest have come from all around the country and have done a brilliant job, they pulled together as a great team.

"When you look at the journey, apart from the distance, it is also quite dangerous when you see how unrelenting the roads are and take into account some of the drivers you encounter. We can't thank them enough for all their hard work and everyone else who has helped out."

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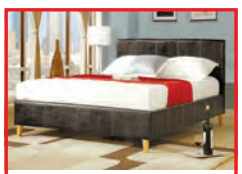
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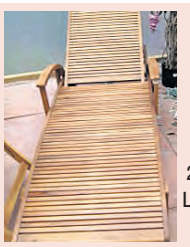
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The black–headed gull that has adopted a moorhen chick. Pic by Tony Disley

A BLACK–headed gull has 'adopted' a moorhen chick at the WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre.

Manager of the centre at Burscough, Nick Brooks, said: "This is extremely unusual. It appears as though the black–headed gull has taken over a moorhen nest, but instead of preying on the moorhen chick the gull is actively feeding the bird. I have never seen anything like this."

The nest can be viewed from the in focus hide at Martin Mere and contains two black–headed gull chicks and one moorhen chick. The adult bird is looking after all of the chicks and chasing off any adult moorhens that are coming close to the nest.

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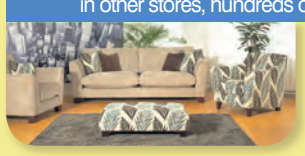

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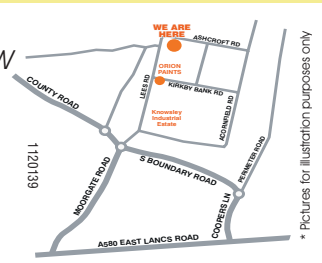

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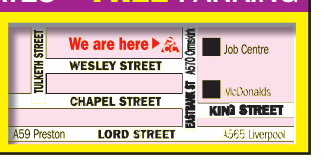

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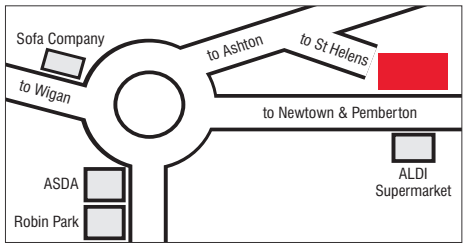

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I don't need an expert to tell me to exercise

SOMETHING that has puzzled me for years is just why governments and other official bodies seem prepared to pay 'experts' to prepare reports stating the blindingly obvious.

If, for instance, I were to say to you that I am eating fewer fatty foods than I was a year ago but still was putting on weight, I imagine your response, after fairly little thought and no recourse whatever to statistics, would be that obviously I was exercising less.

But I now a read that a team of researchers led, of course, by an eminent professor, have discovered that despite eating 600 fewer calories a day than we did 30 years ago, we are still putting on the pounds.

According to the report's figures, with our daily calorie intake reduced (on average) from 3, 000 to 2,400 we should have been shedding 2lb a year.

Instead, apparently, we have been getting fatter at the rate of half a pound a year. Oh dear.

Anyway, our researchers have come up with the reason.

They consider the main cause of obesity is probably the result of us taking less physical exercise!

Who would have thought it?

Well, I would, you would, probably your dog would too.

The more interesting thing that does come out of this tome though, is that the increasing use of high fructose corn syrup (HFCS) in processed foods, rather than more expensive sugar, may also have an effect.

It is not clear whether it is worse than sugar or just has the same effect.

The point about HFCS, though, is that these American imports have been linked for years with diabetes and other nasties – which seems to be a sufficient reason anyway for banning the muck.

Actually, I think the almost messianic crusade against salt and sugar – both of which were seen basically as good until quite recently – as being counter–productive anyway.

A friend of mine, now unhappily no longer with us, was living for a while on his own, and often bought ready meals. Not those cheap and rather nasty ones, but the expensive kind that could grace any dinner table.

He enjoyed them too. Until someone decided that salt was evil and should either be cut out, or drastically cut it down.

So, according to my friend, making the whole thing tasteless and unappetising and fit only for the bin.

He could of course have added salt for himself – but he said it didn't then taste the same, and in any case he then usually put too much on.

Just like those chippies, ordered by their local council to have fewer holes in their salt cellars.

It didn't work either. You just shook them more violently and for longer.

And for me, coffee without sugar is just not the same. Nor nearly the same.

And in any case, I have been eating sensible amounts of sugar all my life – and apart from its teeth rotting properties (a failing shared by all citrus fruits for example) I always thought sugar was a source of short–term energy.

And I can do with all the energy I can get.

So returning to my original point, I know from personal experience that you can eat well and enjoy the occasional sweet luxury, plus necessary salt on your chips, and lose weight at the same time.

My dog Tina is my solution (and salvation), but any exercise will do.

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Annual village event goes down a Treat

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MORE than two hundred pupils, parents, teachers and the local community enjoyed the Bickerstaffe annual Treat Day on Saturday, June 8.

The event, organised by the Bickerstaffe Treat Day Committee, is believed to date back to 1877 and takes place on the local parish field.

Bickerstaffe CE Primary School pupils led the procession with morris dancing, accompanied by the Maghull Wind Orchestra, as they made their way up Hall Lane and past Holy Trinity Church before dancing their way on to the parish field.

Proud parents watched with delight the maypole dancing, a British tradition, performed by the pupils. The children weaved in and out of each other around the pole, intertwining the coloured ribbons. As patterns of colour took centre stage the sunshine helped showcase the talented youngsters to a delighted audience.

Sports races, for all children, followed the dancing with everyone crossing the finish line with smiles on their faces.

Mrs Hall, headteacher at Bickerstaffe CE Primary, said: "The children look forward to Treat Day every year and I am immensely proud of all their performances. From reception to our Year 6 pupils, they all get involved with so much enthusiasm and demonstrate enormous talent. It is wonderful to see so many people, including many past pupils, enjoying this wonderful tradition and enjoying a fantastic day for the whole community."

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Chance to have a say on Local Plan

Report by **Louisa Austin**

Six–week consultation period starts this week

RESIDENTS of West Lancashire are being given the opportunity to have their say on changes being made to West Lancashire's Local Plan.

Individuals and organisations have a six–week consultation period, from Thursday, June 27 to Friday, August 9, in which to make any representations.

The West Lancashire Local Plan 2012–2027 Development Plan Document will guide how the borough develops over the next 15 years.

It covers everything from new homes and jobs to retail and leisure facilities, transport and local services and energy and the environment.

The Local Plan has to make sure developments and services are located in the most sustainable parts of the borough and can be supported by infrastructure.

It also gives information on sites where the council would prefer development to take place.

West Lancashire Borough Council submitted the Local Plan to the Government for independent examination by a Planning Inspector in October 2012.

The inspector, Roger Clews then held a series of public examination hearings in February and March 2013 to discuss the key issues raised through earlier consultation.

As a result of the hearings, the inspector believes some changes are required to ensure the plan is 'sound' and has asked the council to propose some 'main modifications' to address his concerns.

Some of the main changes the council has proposed are in relation to, or as a result of, the following:

• An increased housing requirement, including the allocation of three more housing sites to meet the requirement. These sites will be at Fine Jane's Farm, Halsall; New Cut Lane, Halsall and Greaves Hall Avenue, Banks.

• The allocation of a small extension to Simonswood Industrial Estate for employment land.

• Amendments to the boundaries for the area of green belt land to be released at Edge Hill University which will result in a slight reduction of the allocated site and associated green belt release.

• Changes to the way waste water and surface water should be managed on new developments.

• The removal of the traveller policy – to be replaced by a separate planning document on travellers' sites in the near future.

The inspector and the West Lancashire Borough Council cabinet have approved the main modifications for public consultation. The inspector is now asking residents for their comments and whether they think the changes are legally compliant and sound.

Your views will then be passed to the Planning Inspector for his consideration before he produces his final report on the local plan.

Councillor Martin Forshaw, portfolio holder for planning, said: "We think that these main modifications will ensure the Local Plan is robust and flexible enough to deliver the development needed by West Lancs to 2027.

"This is the chance for people to give their views to the independent Planning Inspector about whether they agree."

More information on the schedule of main modifications and how to make representations, can be found at www.westlancs.gov.uk/2027, libraries, post offices, council offices and by contacting the planning policy team on 01695 585046.

The main modifications document is also available at the council offices at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk; the CSP Skelmersdale and your local library or post office.

To make a suggestion you can do so by visiting www.westlancs.gov.uk/2027, emailing: localplan@westlancs.gov.uk or sending a letter to: Planning Policy, West Lancs Borough Council, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF.

There is a specific format for representations at this formal stage and it is important individuals and organisations use the correct format to ensure their representation is recognised.

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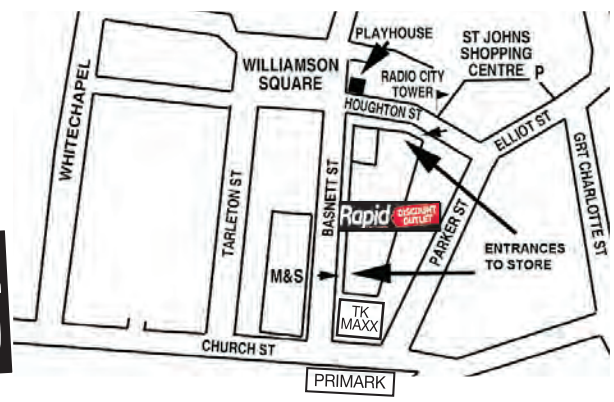

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The winning team from West Tower pictured before the awards.

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Award hat–trick for West Tower

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Tower in Aughton has won the best wedding venue in Lancashire for the third year running.

They won the award at an event staged by County Brides magazine and staged at Crewe Hall, Crewe on Tuesday, June 18.

The award was voted for by their clients on the County Brides Website.

Brian Gamble, general manager at West Tower said: "West Tower is a real success story considering the current financial climate and to win this award for three years running says everything about the team and the quality on offer here in West Lancs.

"Our clients voted for us and we were up against some stiff competition and some great venues in Lancashire and West Lancashire."

West Tower, which now does about 200 weddings a year, won a crystal trophy at the event. Brian added: "We now have three awards in a row, which is great."

West Tower dates back to 1785, and was commissioned by Liverpool shipping magnate Lord Alfred Holt.

The tower, located on the west part of the house, allowed Holt's staff to locate ships arriving to Formby Point from North America and India.

More than 700 compete in schools triathlon

Competitors in the bike ride negotiate a corner.

MORE than 700 youngsters from primary and secondary school across West Lancashire took part in the third annual triathlon on Thursday, June 20 at Park Pool and Coronation Park, Ormskirk, sponsored by the West Lancashire Community Leisure Trust.

The primary event was followed by the West Lancashire Secondary School Championships with more than 100 young people from Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 competing in a timed 100m swim, 2km bike ride and 800m run with medals awarded to the top three places in each age group.

John Bullock, chairman of the West Lancashire Community Leisure Trust, said: "This is the third year that the trust has sponsored the schools triathlon and it is an event that we are extremely proud to be associated with. The numbers involved have increased year–on–year and events like these are so important in inspiring young people to get involved in sport and physical activity."

The triathlon is one of a series of events and projects that the leisure trust have supported under their Road 2 Rio Programme that aims to help young people to get involved in sport in the run–up to the next Olympic Games in 2016.

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Dancers keep in step at group's annual concert

Review by **Ron Ellis**

- Dance Fever
- Loreto Bamber Dancing Academy
- Little Theatre Southport

LORETO Bamber Dancing Academy held their annual concert at the Little Theatre on Saturday when members of the academy took part in 27 dance routines including tap, ballet, jazz and modern dance.

The programme opened with a team of 'flappers' dancing to 'Thoroughly Modern Millie' (Senior Competition).

Particularly impressive was the Grade Two Modern Class dancing to the big band sounds of Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy (a hit for The Andrews Sisters) and Glenn Miller's In The Mood which featured two of the only four boys in the concert.

The Pre–Elementary Ballet danced delightfully to Delibes' Prelude and Mazurka from Coppelia and Grade 1 Ballet performed the Penny Whistle Ballet with great charm.

The older members chose more modern music like Olly Murs' Trouble Maker (Grades 1 & 2 Tap) and Jennifer Lopez's Let's Get Loud (Grade 6 Inter & Advanced 2 Modern).

Miss Bamber herself led the Pierrot–dressed Advance Troupe, tapping to Clown to wild applause, and the show ended on an exhilarating note with the Senior Competition and the girls in glamorous costumes invoking memories of The Moulin Rouge as they danced the 'Can Can'.

An entertaining evening which demonstrated what great talent there is among the young people of Southport.

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Charley's Aunt to be staged at The Atkinson

The cast of Charley's Aunt pic by Zoe Barnes **Code NA**

BRANDON Thomas's extravagant Victorian farce, Charley's Aunt, is to be performed at The Atkinson, Southport.

The play, which is set in 1892, has found success on Broadway and will be staged in the town from today (Wednesday, June 26) to June 29.

In the farce the dashing Oxford undergraduates, Jack and Charley are preparing to propose to Amy and Kitten, two lovely girls.

The boys want to take the girls out but a chaperone is needed for the evening, and as luck would have it, Charley's Aunt is arriving from Brazil (where the nuts come from) and will happily serve the purpose.

However when her trip is delayed they decide their friend Lord Fancourt Babberley, a dabbler in amateur dramatics, should assume her identity. When villainous Spettigue and Donna Lucia, Charley's real aunt, enter the fray, there follows a ridiculously tangled web of intrigue.

Highlights of the evening include a chase, and an absurd number of marital engagements.

For more information call 01704 533333.

Ghost the Musical returns to North West

GHOST the Musical, based on the Academy Award winning film, is returning to the Opera House, Manchester – where it enjoyed its world premiere and smash hit seven–week pre–West End run.

Almost 100,000 tickets were sold for Ghost the Musical at the Opera House in 2011, and the show won rave reviews and the Manchester Theatre Award for Best Musical.

It runs at the Opera House from Tuesday 2 to Saturday, July 20 as part of its UK tour.

Adapted from the Oscar winning movie that captured the hearts and imaginations of a generation back in the 90s, Ghost the Musical is a timeless fantasy about the power of love. Sam is trapped as a ghost between this world and the next trying to communicate with girlfriend Molly through a phoney psychic in the hope of saving her from his murderer. Ghost the Musical is a rollercoaster ride of romance and comedy with staging, which producers are calling 'dazzling and state–of–the–art'.

Oscar winning Bruce Joel Rubin adapted his original screenplay for the stage production. Rubin won an Oscar for Best Original Screenplay for the movie, which starred Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, Tony Goldwyn and Whoopi Goldberg.

The show stars Stewart Clarke as Sam Wheat, Rebecca Trehearn as Molly Jenson and Wendy Mae Brown as Oda Mae Brown.

Stewart Clarke's stage credits include Loserville at the Garrick Theatre, Sweeney Todd at the Rose Theatre, Songs For a New World at the Bridewell Theatre and Parade at the Lowry. Stewart's screen credits include the feature film Easy Virtue.

Tickets are available at 0844 871 3018.

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ADVERTISING FEATURE

Excellence Award for local hotel

The Lancashire Manor Hotel in Pimbo (just off the M58), has been awarded a leading customer focus award.

General Manager Steve Hopkins is delighted with the recognition from the international organisation - Trip Advisor. They have monitored the hotel customer care and facilities performance over the past year through the feedback from guests and organisers alike. Resulting in the Excellence Award.

Many of the hotels brides, have also written to the hotel and to Trip Advisor to say what a fantastic wedding venue the Lancashire Manor is, paying such attention to detail that their wedding days really have been the best day of their lives! Steve added that the Great Hall is one of the most beautiful halls in the northwest, which has resulted on a 25% increase in wedding bookings.

He took the opportunity to thank the team at the hotel for their support, he said 'it would be very difficult to provide such quality and service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year without these people and their dedication to the industry. It is up to all of us to retain and even improve our standards. We are proud to be a local business, employing local people.

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Left to right, Gill Ball, Marc Wright, Steve Hopkins, Joe Culshaw and Louise Chu

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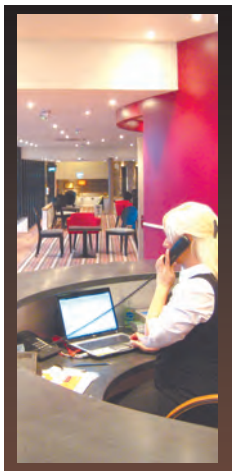

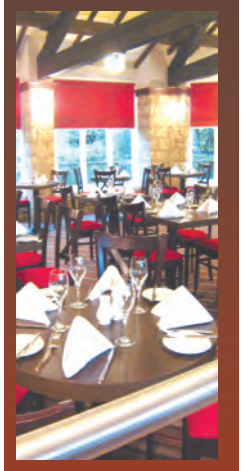

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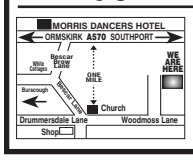

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POTTER
Douglas Barry (Barry)
18th June 2013

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HEALEY
Margaret
Died peacefully on 15th June aged 82 years

Wife of the late Phillip Healey, mother of Sharon, Phyllis and the late Terence. Mother-in-law of Elizabeth and Grandmother to all her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandson. Sadly missed and loved forever. Funeral service will take place on Friday 28th June at St Helens Crematorium at 4pm. Enquiries to Devonports 01695 731199

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DEATHS

DAWSON
Margaret
Nee Summerville
19th June 2013

Peacefully in hospital aged 63 years

Loving wife of Peter, much loved mum of Nick and Kerry. Devoted grandma of Freya and Oliver. Sadly missed. Service at St Andrews Church, Maghull on Monday 1st July at 12.30pm. Cremation following at Thornton Crematorium. No flowers by request, donations if desired to Macmillan Nurses c/o David Clegg Independent Funeral Service, 77-79 Bridge Road, Litherland L21 2PA. Tel 0151 928 6665

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PRAYER

DEAR SACRED HEART OF JESUS

In the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask for one special favour. (mention it)

Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour, not mine.

Amen

Say this prayer for three days, promise publication and your favour will be granted. Never to be failed.

M.L.

42835

BIRTHDAYS

BONNIE CARLYLE
24th June
Happy 18th Birthday

Mick, Lynda & all the Gelhardt girls
Love you XXX

42130

MARRIAGES

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6th April 2013

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IN MEMORIAM

FRANK HUNT (Caleb)
24th June 2011

Who was sadly taken from us 2 years ago today

Forever in my heart your little sis Sue
xxx

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COTTRELL
Matthew James
1988 - 2012

We can't believe a year has gone by. We think of you each day with love, for the day we fail to think of you is the day we will be with you.

Your loving Nan & Grandad and all our family
xxx

42126

BIRTHDAYS

BONNIE CARLYLE
24th June

Happy 18th Birthday
All our love
Uncle Joseph, Claire, Max, Joseph Jnr, Baby Lexi

Bonnie Happy Birthday
Love you, Joanie, Carl, Baby Frieda, Uncle Dennis, Donna, Olivia, Megan & Leighton

Happy 18th Birthday Bonnie
Love from Helen, Alan, Alastair, Miles, Martha, Eve & Chris
XXX

42129

BONNIE CARLYLE
24th June 1995

Happy 18th Birthday

Bonnie, my gorgeous daughter,
Love you loads
Mum
XXX

42127

BONNIE CARLYLE
24th June

Happy 18th Birthday
To my beautiful grandaughter,
Love you loads
Grandma X

Happy 18th Birthday Bonnie
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Happy 18th Birthday To my gorgeous Niece Bonnie
Love Auntie Colette & Daisy
Love you so much
X

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BIRTHDAYS

70
Terry (Yank) Aldridge
30•06•1943

Gotcha Grandad!

Happy Birthday

love always
Megan, Terilee, Jessica, Adele, Terence and Dwayne

Love Ste and Paul
xxx

42125

70
Terry (Yank) Aldridge
30•06•1943

Have a great birthday Dad

Love

Janet, Jackie, Jean and your loving sister Vera and family
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GEORGE GILLINDER
29th June
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PRAYER

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN
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O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity.

(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. **W.M.**

This prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be published. 42856

PRAYER

Saint Jude's Novena
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us, St. Jude worker of miracles pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless pray for us.

Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayers may be answered. Say it for 9 days and it has never been known to fail.

Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude

Instructions:
Light your candle and declare out loud what miracle you need right now. Repeat this prayer 9 times for 9 days. Do this at the same time each day, never skip a day. If you do, you need to start over again. On the 9th day give thanks, and say "So be it." Give it up to Saint Jude and let go of any worry. You will see results in 72 hours. Never use this prayer to manipulate or control anyone. Use it only with the best intentions.

This is the most important part of the entire process YOU MUST pass this miracle prayer onto others. Some people publish it in the paper, others e-mail it to their friends, and others post it in a public building.

G.D.
42832

PUBLIC NOTICES

West Lancashire Borough Council
Local Plan
Notice of publication of Main Modifications to the West Lancashire Local Plan 2012-2027 Development Plan Document
The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

The Local Plan 2012-2027 Development Plan Document will replace the current West Lancashire Replacement Local Plan and will set out the Council's planning framework for future development in the Borough until 2027. It includes policies and proposals for development that will deliver West Lancashire's housing and employment needs and address a range of key issues facing the Borough.

The Council submitted the Local Plan to the Secretary of State for independent examination under Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in October 2012. The Local Plan then underwent Examination by a Planning Inspector, including a series of public hearings in February-March 2013.

As a result of the Examination, the Inspector considers that certain Main Modifications may be necessary to ensure the soundness of the Local Plan. The Council are now inviting representations on whether these Main Modifications are legally compliant and sound. Representations received will be submitted to the Planning Inspector, Mr R Clews BA(Hons) MSC MRTPI, for his consideration.

The Main Modifications document will be published on Thursday 27 June 2013. Comments should be submitted using the Representation Form provided by the Council and must be received no later than 5pm on Friday 9 August 2013. Any individual submitting a representation that is not in a format consistent with the Representation Form may be required to re-submit their representation in the appropriate format.

Copies of the Main Modifications document and the Representation Form, will be made available at the Borough Council offices at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and the Customer Service Point, Skelmersdale on Mondays to Fridays 9am to 5pm (4.45 Fridays) and public libraries and post offices across the Borough during their normal opening hours. These documents, along with all Local Plan documents, can also be viewed on the Borough Council's website at: www.westlancs.gov.uk/2027. It is preferred that comments be submitted via the website.

Further information is available from the West Lancashire Borough Council Offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, West Lancashire, L39 2DF or by calling the Planning Policy Team on 01695 585046 or by emailing localplan@westlancs.gov.uk

Dated: 26 June 2013

Directorate of Transformation
John Harrison DipEnvP MRTPI
Assistant Director Planning
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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 - Article 13

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2013/0603/FUL Conversion of existing outbuilding to cattery for 6 cats at Ashurst, Hall Lane, Wrightington.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2013/0628/COU Change of use of existing self catering holiday units to residential dwelling at Self Catering Holiday Units, Mawdsleys Farm, Crosshall Brow, Westhead.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2013/0629/FUL Erection of 6 no. park homes for use by travelling showpeople together with change of use of land to storage/ maintenance, construction of access track and erection of horticultural/ agricultural building and 3 no. polytunnels at Land South Of, Ringtail Road, Burscough.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.
Application No: 2013/0637/OUT Outline - Erection of 5 dwelling houses with garages and alterations to show centre to form stables including alterations to existing access road (including details of access and layout) at Land At Aughton Chase, Springfield Road, Aughton.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2013/0362/COU Use of an area of the public highway measuring 10.1m x 1.6m for the placing of 4 tables, 8 chairs and canvas screens in connection with the use of the public house between the hours of 11:00 and 23:00 at Golden Lion, 41 Moor Street, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2013/0556/FUL Construction of detached dwelling house and formation of new vehicular access at 36 Winifred Lane, Aughton.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's web site www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to the Planning Division, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 26th June 2013
Assistant Director Planning PDNOT675
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(FIR TREE LANE AND NARROW LANE, AUGHTON, CLIEVES HILL AND HALSALL, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (40 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 201*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council propose to make the above Traffic Regulation Order under Section 84 of the **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to:

Introduce; A Speed Limit of 40 mph in the following lengths of road in West Lancashire Borough;

a) Fir Tree Lane, Aughton, from a point 90 metres north of the centre line of Formby Lane to its junction with Narrow Lane
b) Narrow Lane, Aughton, from its junction with Fir Tree Lane to its junction with Halsall Lane

The above Speed Limit will reduce the National Speed Limit where appropriate.

A copy of the draft Order and associated documents for proposing to make the Order may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of the West Lancashire Borough Council, PO Box 16, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF. Any representations or objections (specifying the grounds on which they are made) relating to the proposal must be made in writing and should be sent to The County Secretary & Solicitor, Lancashire County Council, PO Box 78, County Hall, Preston PR1 8XJ or by e-mail to tro-consultation@lancashire.gov.uk **[quoting ref:LSG4/5.49303/TRO/MBS]** before the 24 July 2013.

Ian Fisher, County Secretary & Solicitor
26 June 2013.
1120270

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(STAVELEY ROAD, SKELMERSDALE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Staveley Road, Skelmersdale, from its junction with A577 Neverstitch Road, for a distance of 163 metres in a northerly direction, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: -

A577 Neverstitch Road – A577 Glenburn Road – Glenburn Road – Stanley Way – Statham Road – Staveley Road and vice versa.

Access for pedestrians will be maintained.

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway patching works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative from 0700 hours on Thursday 4 July 2013 until 1800 hours on Friday 5 July 2013, or until completion of the works within this period.

Paul Dunne, Public Realm Manager Preston and South Ribble
Lancashire Highway Services, Lancashire County Council, 0845 053 0011
[Ref: HEM/226/8/848/GLH]
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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
WYKE COP LEVEL CROSSING, WYKE ROAD, SCARISBRICK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) (NO.2) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Wyke Road, Scarisbrick, for a distance of 20 metres either side of the Wyke Cop Level Crossing, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for motor vehicles affected by the closure is via: -

Wyke Road – Pool Hey Lane – A570 Southport Road - Snape Green – Wyke Cop Road – Wyke Road and vice versa.

Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow a technical inspection to be carried out of the level crossing.

The prohibition will be operative from 2359 hours on Wednesday 3 July 2013 until 0700 hours on Thursday 4 July 2013, or until completion of the works if earlier.

Paul Dunne, Public Realm Manager Preston and South Ribble
Lancashire Highway Services, Lancashire County Council, 0845 053 0011
[Ref: HEM/226/8/832/GLH]
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(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of B5240 Lyelake Lane, Bickerstaffe, from its junction with A570 Liverpool Road to its junction with Lathom Road, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: -

A570 Liverpool Road – Lathom Road – B5240 Lyelake Lane and vice versa

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 8 July 2013 until 1700 hours on Tuesday 9 July 2013, or until completion of the works within this period.

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(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2013

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An alternative route for vehicular traffic and cyclists affected by the closure is via: -

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Access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow engineering works to be carried on the level crossing.

The prohibition will be operative from 2259 hours on Tuesday 2 July 2013 until 0700 hours on Wednesday 3 July 2013, or until completion of the works within these periods.

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[Ref: HEM/226/8/834/AM]

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(RAILWAY PATH, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) NOTICE 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle from proceeding over that length of Railway Path, Ormskirk, from its junction with Dyers Lane, for a distance of 200 metres in a southerly direction, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

No alternative route is available for vehicular traffic affected by the closure.

Access will be maintained wherever and whenever possible.

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow collapsed culvert repair works to be carried out.

The prohibition will be operative from 0930 on Monday 8 July 2013, until 1630 hours on Friday 12 July 2013, or until completion of the works within this period.

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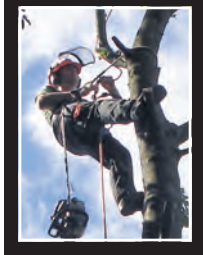

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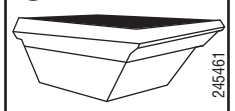
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Volvo develops super self parking car to end all arguments

Report by
Ollie Cowan

VOLVO has developed an ingenious concept for autonomous parking.

The concept car, which will be demonstrated at a media event next week, finds and parks in a vacant space by itself, without the driver inside.

It's believed the new technology will help put an end to arguments about the best way to park.

The smart, driverless car also interacts safely and smoothly with other cars and pedestrians in the car park.

Autonomous Parking is a concept technology that relieves the driver of the time–consuming task of finding a vacant parking space.

Combining autonomous driving with detection and auto brake for other objects makes it possible for the car to interact safely with other cars and pedestrians in the car park.

Transmitters in the road infrastructure informs the driver when the service is available.

The driver uses a mobile phone application to activate the Autonomous Parking and then walks away from the car.

The vehicle uses sensors to localise and navigate to a free parking space. The procedure is reversed when the driver comes back to pick up the car.

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F–TYPE Jaguar is voted world car design of the year

THE Jaguar F–TYPE has been declared the 2013 World Car Design of the Year.

Ian Callum, Director of Design, Jaguar, said: "No design project has given me greater pleasure than the creation of the F–TYPE.

It's a project I've looked forward to from the moment I joined Jaguar, and it's one that's given my team and I great satisfaction.

The F–TYPE is a sports car that is true to Jaguar's design values – beauty of line and purity of form – and I'm honoured that the World Car of the Year jury has recognised our work with this award."

Some 43 cars were considered for the award, this selection being reduced to a shortlist by an advisory panel of design experts before final consideration by the 66 World Car of the Year jury members.

On the F–TYPE, the advisory panel said: "The long wheelbase, short overhangs and flared fenders give this car a good stance. The contour in plan view tapered toward the door emphasises the muscular rear fender that houses the driven wheels.

"The F–TYPE exterior maintains Jaguar's own elegance in its horizontal proportion and rounded surfaces, yet it looks very dynamic. But I would like to say the interior design is even more attractive. It is clearly driver–oriented, and a grip bar for the passenger is nicely integrated into the big centre console. The seat design is superb, too."

Rugged look for Renault Scenic

RENAULT have given their family–friendly Scenic a new look and introduced a rugged–looking new version inspired by off–roaders.

The French firm said the new three–strong Scenic range would start at £17,955, with the aggressive–looking XMOD version – which looks a bit like an off–road car but doesn't come with four wheel drive – matching the prices of its more urbane siblings.

The range, which is available to order now, tops out at £23,395 for the seven–seater Grand Scenic version with the company's 1.6 DCI diesel engine.

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Stiff upper lip as Woodvale Transport Festival soldiers on once more

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SOMEHOW it was appropriate a replica of that great wartime symbol of British optimism, the Spitfire, stood proudly at the heart of last weekend's Woodvale Transport Festival.

I could sense a bit of Battle of Britain spirit at Victoria Park last Saturday morning, when the elements did their best to dampen everyone's spirits.

I've seen many a show turn into a bit of a damp squib on account of typically British summer weather, but a bit of stiff upper lip meant we carried on.

To say I'd been looking forward to this year's Woodvale Transport Festival is an understatement. Woodvale is my 'home' show and the one I've grown up with.

From my days as spotty boy scout picking up litter it's always been the one show I've put in my diary to get along to.

It's because of my fondness for the rally that I left feeling both slightly sad, but more importantly, optimistic. I thought this year's show suffered slightly, mainly because of the weather, but perhaps also because the name still links it to the airfield extravaganzas of previous years.

Smaller shows can work. You only need to look at the classic car gatherings in Lydiate each summer to see that but the reactions I got from speaking to visitors last weekend was a bit of a mixed bag.

The Woodvale Transport Festival had some great ingredients – a great venue (as the Southport Flower Show proves), keen exhibitors, a host of classic car owners, model plane owners and other enthusiasts who can't wait to bring their toys along, organisers committed to its success, and a whole town keen to support it — but I can't help feeling this year's event was an opportunity missed.

I don't think it's unfair to say the show's had its ups and downs over the past few years through no fault of the organisers or those who support it, but I think the show's future as a top draw event for Southport, not an airfield just outside Formby, is a bright one.

Every cloud, even the literal one that lingered over the show for much of last weekend, has a silver lining.

This years Woodvale Rally had a Battle of Britain feel

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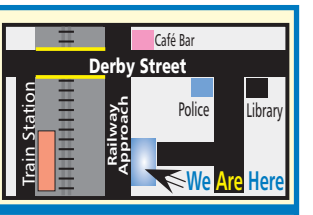

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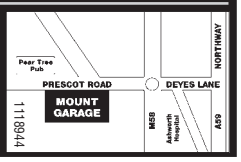

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A near–miss from Skems opening bowler Andy Griffiths.

Skem slump to five wicket home defeat

SKELMERSDALE slumped to a 63–run home defeat to in–form Old Xaverians on Saturday.

The home bowlers claimed two early wickets with the swinging ball and Andrew Griffiths had the prolific Ian Carrol caught behind for 27, and the visitors were struggling at 50–5 at one stage but recovered to post a total of 171 all out in the 46th over.

Skelmersdale also lost early wickets and were soon 58–5 with Ben Maddocks caught off a full toss and Hasnain Abbas caught on the boundary. There was to be no little late order resistance and the home side subsided to 108 all out.

Skem will need to improve whe they face table–toppers Sefton Park next.

Spinners claim 8 as Ormskirk go second

ORMSKIRK moved up to second place in the Liverpool Competitoon Premier Division table with a three wicket win at Maghull.

The hosts were asked to bat first and bowled out for 169 with Sairaj Patel (46), Chris Tonge (29), Donavan Pell (28) and Sabah Ghaus (28*) top scoring, whilst Lancashire's Simon Kerrigan (5–67) and fellow spinner Martyn Farrell (3–38) were the pick of the bowlers.

In reply the visitors reached 170–7 in 45 overs with John Armstrong (53*) getting valuable support down the order from Liam Hurt (32) and his skipper Ian Robinson (26), whilst Ryan Swiers was undoubtedly the pick of the hosts bowling attack with 5–45.

Northern opened up a 41 point lead at the top of the table with a 96 run victory at Hightown.

After being put into bat Northern declared after 46.3 overs on 160–8 with skipper James Cole scoring 50, Paul Park 25 and Davy Smith 24, whilst Ian Sutcliffe took 3–45 with the ball. In reply the hosts were soon in deep trouble at 4–3 and were bowled out for just 64, with Stephen Cole (4–30) and Park (3–28) the pick of the bowlers. Southport & Birkdale's home game against Highfield was cut short by the weather. After electing to bat, Logan Weston (98), Shervon Jean (40), 23 each from Kyle Cranston and Josh Hine plus 21 from Wim van der Walt enabled Chris Firth to declare after 55 overs on 232–9 with Lancashire's Andrea Agathangelou taking 4–60. In reply an unbeaten 125 (15x4s and 1x6) from Agathangelou, 42 from Michael Farrell and 29 from Simon Mollitt took the visitors to 217–5, before heavy rain washed away the last few overs with Hine taking 3–55.

Rain foils Burscough of victory bid

BURSCOUGH and the leaders Sefton Park were both denied by the rain in a closely fought Second Division contest at School Lane. The hosts elected to bat first and were bowled out for 174 with Chris Andrews (53*), Lee Berrie (31) and Alan Murray (22) top scoring whilst Peter Kelly took 6–47. In reply the visitors had recovered from 75–6 to 167–8 (Ali Khan 42) when the rain came down to spoil the end of the match, with Brendan Domigan (3–34) and Andrews (3–69) the pick of the bowlers.

Burscough are away at Sutton on Saturday.

United sign pair for next season

By Neil Leatherbarrow

SKELMERSDALE United manager Tommy Lawson has captured the signature of two more of his target signings for the new season with striker Chris Luby joining from New Mills and midfielder Alan Burton arriving from Marine.

Following the signing of goalkeeper Zac Hibbert from Southport that makes it a trio of new faces at the West Lancashire College Stadium for the new campaign.

Luby only joined the New Mills promotion push part way through last term having started the season with Northwich Victoria. During his time with the Millers he notched 12 league goals.

Alan Burton is a 22–year–old central midfield player who has Football League experience with Accrington Stanley. He has had two spells with Marine once on loan and the other after leaving the Crown Ground.

Skem return to training on July 4 and it would be no surprise if one or two more players join before the season kicks off for real on August 17.

Secretary Bryn Jones reminds supporters that the early purchase discount on season tickets is due to expire on Monday, July 1. The full price of an adult season ticket for 2013/14 is £160 but if you are quick you can get one for £150.

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